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TERMS OF REFERENCE
ECONOMIC DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

On 14 August 1952 the Intelligence Advisory Committee approved the terms of reference for the Intelligence Working Group.* This group was subsequently renamed the Economic Defense Intelligence Committee (EDIC).** The following statement has been prepared in order to bring up to date certain name designations and document references appearing in the original version of the terms of reference.

Membership

1. Membership and associate membership of EDIC shall be composed of the representatives of the Departments and Agencies as follows: the intelligence sectors of the Departments of State, Army, Navy, and Air Force and the Central Intelligence Agency will appoint a member and an alternate member to serve upon EDIC; the Office of the Deputy Director for Mutual Defense Assistance Control, the Office of the Secretary of Defense, and the Departments of State, Commerce, and Treasury will designate representatives to serve as associate members. Associate members will have full right of participation in all meetings and voice in all work of the Committee except for those intelligence matters which fall within the exclusive responsibility of the IAC agencies. Any other agency having interest or competence in the field of economic defense intelligence may be invited to sit with the Committee. The principal representative of CIA shall serve as Chairman and shall designate the Executive Secretary.

* In May 1952 the Director of Central Intelligence approved the proposal of the Director for Mutual Security and the Secretary of State for establishment of an Intelligence Working Group (IWG) for direct intelligence support of the Economic Defense Advisory Committee (EDAC). The proposal was indorsed by the Secretary of Defense. (IAC-D-53/1, 25 July 1952, as amended by IAC-D-53/3.1 of 25 February 1953, contains a statement of the terms of reference for this group.)

** On 26 October 1954 the change of name was approved by the IAC.

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2. The purpose of EDIC shall be to develop and furnish intelligence to the Economic Defense Advisory Committee (EDAC) for policy making and operations in the economic defense field included under the Mutual Defense Assistance Control Act of 1951 (P.L. 213, 82nd Congress) and directives issued in connection with NSC 152/3* and related documents, and to develop closer continuous relationships among the operational, policy-formulation and intelligence-research elements engaged in the economic defense program.

General Principles

3. EDIC will not supplant any other interagency intelligence arrangements, but will make use of the existing intelligence facilities of the Government, including appropriate interagency committees and working groups.

4. EDIC shall work closely with the Executive Committee of EDAC and its working groups in order to obtain maximum guidance in its operations and be responsive to economic defense program requirements for intelligence.

5. In carrying out its responsibilities, EDIC may set up such subcommittees and working groups as may be judged necessary.

6. The participation of the representatives of the IAC agencies shall be subject to the conditions prescribed by the Intelligence Advisory Committee.

7. Associate membership of any additional non-IAC agencies shall be subject to approval of both the EDAC Executive Committee and the members representing the IAC agencies.

8. The members and associate members of EDIC shall have access within EDIC to that intelligence and information produced or obtained by an IAC agency which is needed for the fulfillment of the EDIC mission, subject to appropriate security clearances and the controls and procedures of the originating IAC agency.

* The original reference document was NSC 104/2, which was superseded by NSC 152/3.

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9. Agencies submitting intelligence to EDIC through their representatives shall be responsible for indicating by appropriate marking on their contributions when the substance of such documents is not releasable to foreign nationals under the provisions of S/D MICC 206/29 (Revised). EDIC shall insure that coordinated intelligence submitted to EDAC is similarly marked to reflect those portions which may not be released.

General Activities

10. To develop and furnish intelligence to the Economic Defense Advisory Committee, EDIC shall:

- a) Arrange for the mobilization of the economic data and analysis relevant to appropriate needs of the EDAC.
- b) Prepare or arrange for the preparation of reports which present the best available economic intelligence on problems of concern to EDAC.
- c) Provide current intelligence to EDAC in response to specific requests or on its own initiative.
- d) Request intelligence memoranda and reports from the several intelligence agencies as required.
- e) Determine the necessity, desirability, and feasibility of obtaining further information or intelligence concerning the subject matter of specific reports or to fill specific gaps, and recommend action by appropriate agencies to meet these needs.
- f) Arrange for the review, on a continuing basis, of pertinent intelligence materials to provide for the timely distribution of such materials to the EDIC representatives.

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